

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN : (a) 4 accidents in 1111 and 3 in 1112. No deaths occurred due to these accidents.

(b) 2 accidents during the period. Both resulted in death.

(1) *Kannimalai Factory*, Devicolum Taluk. A cooly of the Factory while sweeping the floor under one of the tea-rollers was caught between the roller wheels and his head was smashed to pieces as a result of which he died.

(2) *Pookulam Factory*, Peermade Taluk. One of the coolies working in the Factory struck against one of the belts as a result of which the belt broke and the man was killed.

(c) to (i). Nil.

Fee concessions in schools.

4. * MR. KOTTALIL P. ABRAHAM (*Muvattupuzha cum Devicolum*) : Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have enquired into the question whether or not the latest rules regarding grant of fee concessions in schools have in any way contributed to the students changing their names in several schools as notified in the Travancore Government Gazette, Part III, page 231, dated the 14th December 1937?

MR. A. GOPALA MENON : The answer is in the negative.

MR. KOTTALIL P. ABRAHAM : May I know from the member whether the Government will be pleased to make an enquiry?

MR. A. GOPALA MENON : If it is found necessary, an enquiry will be made.

Government hospitals and dispensaries.

5. * MR. E. P. VARGHESE (*Ambalapuzha cum Shertala*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(a) the number of hospitals and dispensaries maintained by Government in each taluk and the places where they are; and

(b) the number visited by the Surgeon-General in the year 1937?

VAIDYASASTRAKUSALA DR. (Mrs.) M. POONEN LUKOSE : (a) The member is referred to pages 628 to 635 of the Travancore Directory for 1938.

(b) The Surgeon-General has visited fifty-seven institutions in 1937.

MR. E. P. VARGHESE : May I know from the honourable member whether the Alleppey District Hospital is included among the hospitals examined by the Surgeon-General last year?

VAIDYASASTRAKUSALA DR. (Mrs.) M. POONEN LUKOSE : It is.

MR. E. P. VARGHESE : May I know from the honourable member whether the Surgeon-General when examining the hospital examines the compound of the hospital also to see that it is kept neat and clean?

VAIDYASASTRAKUSALA DR. (MRS.) M. POONEN LUKOSE: This is generally done.

MR. E. P. VARGHESE: May I know from the honourable member whether Government have sanctioned the opening of a dispensary at Vayalar?

VAIDYASASTRAKUSALA DR. (MRS.) M. POONEN LUKOSE: I claim notice, Sir.

MR. M. G. MATTHEW (Kartikapally cum Karunagapally): Does the Surgeon-General inspect these institutions at least once a year?

VAIDYASASTRAKUSALA DR. (MRS.) M. POONEN LUKOSE: He is expected to visit the institutions once a year.

Investigation re providing water in the Kalkulam and Vilavankod taluks.

6. ***MR. C. JEBAMONY NADAR (Kalkulam cum Vilavankod):** Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) whether the investigation for which provision is made in the current budget *re* drinking water for the Kalkulam and the Vilavankod taluks has been started; and

(b) whether the pending applications for sinking wells are being considered by the investigating authorities?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN: (a) Yes.

(b) Yes

MR. C. JEBAMONY NADAR: May I know the officer or officers who have been conducting the investigation?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN: A Supervisor with the necessary staff was deputed for the work.

MR. C. JEBAMONY NADAR: May I know the number of applications pending during the year 1112?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN: No application was presented in 1112. Some petitions were submitted in 1113.

MR. C. JEBAMONY NADAR: May I know whether a register is kept for entering the applications for the sinking of wells?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN: Yes. There is a register kept in the Secretariat for all petitions.

MR. C. JEBAMONY NADAR: May I know the office in which such a register is kept?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN: I have already answered, Sir that it is kept in the Secretariat.

Grant to the Vernacular trained teachers in the Quilon Division.

7. ***MR. N. NARAYANA KURUP (Ambalapuzha cum Shertala):** Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Training grant to the Vernacular trained teachers in the Quilon Division is in arrears;

(b) if so, how long it has been in arrears;

(c) whether they have received any representations from the Managers or trained teachers for the immediate payment of the same; and

(d) if the answer to part (c) is in the affirmative, the action taken on them?